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In re Application of

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Title: METHODS FOR INCREASING CYTIDINE LEVELS IN VIVO AND TREATING
CYTIDINE-DEPENDENT HUMAN DISEASES

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2001, Paper No. 13, please amend the
above identified application as follows.

A Petition for a three-month Extension of Time and a Notice of Appeal with appropriate
fees are being filed concurrently herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 6, please replace the second full paragraph with the following new paragraph:

This invention is based upon the unexpected discovery that uridine administration in
humans leads to increases in systemic and brain cytidine. While certain methods of treatment of
certain neurological diseases using uridine are known, the prior art has heretofore failed to provide
the methods of treatment of diseases which are objects of this invention. These and other objects of
the invention will become more readily apparent from the following description.